BARRACKS INITIATIVE

As the Marine Corps has invested substantially to improve Family Housing, it has also focused on similar standard of living improvements for single enlisted Marines. Plans are in place to invest roughly \$2.5 billion dollars in the next few years on bachelor housing construction, improvements and furnishings. We have also invested, and will continue to invest, countless hours of leadership time in improving all aspects of single enlisted Marines' quality of life.

ALMAR 106/98 addressed the need for policies that properly assign Marines to rooms/spaces, articulate visitation procedures, allow responsible alcohol consumption, and establish guidance on proper room decorum. The Bachelor Enlisted Quarters (BEQ) Campaign Plan has been updated to provide a common roadmap for management of our BEQs. It takes into consideration change in barracks design and billeting configurations, and clarifies the Commandant's intent to provide an atmosphere that supports unit development and cohesion while respecting barracks as the home of single Marines.